

## **Fencing Guideline**

Code of Ordinance Section 18-731, 732, 733

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- All fences and masonry walls constructed in residential or commercial districts shall be constructed so that the top portion of the fence or wall maintains a level or uniform elevation not to exceed a height of 6-1/2' at the highest point of ground elevation.
- In residential zoned areas on a corner lot abutting in the rear the side lot line of another lot in a residential district, no fence, wall or hedge within 25' of the common lot line shall be closer to the side street lot line than ½ the least depth of the front yard required on such other lot fronting on the side street.
- In residential or commercial districts it shall be unlawful for any person owning, constructing, improving, structurally altering or controlling any fence to allow any barbed wire, concertina wire, or other sharpened or barbed projections to be installed or maintained as a part of such fence, except in the case of controlling livestock. If chain link fence is used, no twisting or barbing of wire shall be allowed at the top selvage, all wire at the top selvage shall be knuckled.
- Fences or masonry walls shall not encroach upon the front building line.
- Fence arms shall not be permitted.
- It shall be unlawful for any person owning or controlling property to construct, maintain or permit to remain on such property any fence charged with electricity.
- All fences shall be maintained in good repair so that they shall comply with the provisions at all times.
- Any person who shall violate any of the provisions or terms of this article shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.00 and each day of non-compliance will constitute a separate offense.
- No fence or masonry wall shall be constructed without a building permit.
- Fencing around a swimming pool must be no greater than 6'6" with self closing and self latching gate with no greater than 2" gap in fencing material.
- A permit is required if replacing 50% or more of one side of the existing fence, replacing the whole fence or constructing a new fence.

## **Permit Requirements**

- 1. A completed Residential or Commercial Building Permit Application, (Fees will be calculated based on valuation)
- 2. Two (2) copies of scaled drawing or site plan indicating location and scope of work to be performed.
- 3. Prior to starting construction we ask that you call 811 before you dig.
- 4. Application and plans will be reviewed by the building inspector prior to release of permit.
- 5. All inspections will need to be called in by 4PM for next day inspections.